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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Although the specification was not objected to by the examiner, paragraphs [0031], [0022], and [0027] have been amended to correct minor editorial problems. The paragraph [0026] had an added phrase to complete a sentence: but contained no new material. An additional editorial mistake was also noticed by the applicant in the Summary, [0013] and has been corrected within the same section. A clean copy of the Specification and the page in which the Summary error occurred have been enclosed.

In amended Figure 2, the previously omitted element of reference sign 24R 24L have been added.

Claims 7-18 are new and are asked to be substituted in this application. Claims 1-4 of 10/07/2003 and Claims 1-6 of the preliminary amendment have also been cancelled and the applicant apologizes for their non-compliance of renumbering.

The Office Action has rejected Claims 1,2 and 4-6, with Claim 3 being objected to which the examiner made acknowledgment of the preliminary amendment upon which all of these claims are based.

All Claims 1-6 are objected to because of their informalities examples including Claim 3, line 1, “ said tubing” should be “said tubular member” for consistency. Also Claim 5, line 2, “said suspension joint” lacks antecedent basis and was introduced in Claim 2, therefore the examiner assuming Claim 5 to depend upon Claim 2 for examining

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purposes. The applicant has corrected these informalities and sincerely hopes that you discover no new ones.

Remarks / General

By the new Claims 7-18 , the applicant have amended the Independent Claims 7 and 12 to specifically emphasize the novelty of the invention in their first lines.

Also the applicant have rewritten and in some instances combined prior Claims of the preliminary amendment to define the invention more particularly and distinctly so as to overcome the Claim rejections 35 USC 102 and obviousness rejections as set forth in 35 USC 103. and define the invention over the prior art.

Arguments and Specifics

Claims 1-2 and 5-6 are rejected under 35 USC 102(b) as being anticipated by Browning (US 4,126,324 A) because Browning discloses a folding trailer 10 comprising a pair of longitudinal bed sections, a central bed portion defining a platform, longitudinal hinge members, suspension means including a suspension joint, etc.

Resubmitted Claims 7 and 12 Are Now Patentable Over Browning Collapsible Trailer

Both claims 7 and 12 recite novel physical features to clear 102(b) and are unobvious Under USC 103 the general arguments consisting of “Unexpected results”

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Independent Claims 7 and 12 by reciting novel physical features comprised of:

[C001] A collapsible trailer[adapted to prevent selective disassembly of the device by a user,]*emphasis mine*

[C005] d) wherein the improvement comprises at least one concurrent combination of (1) a suspension means interconnected to said outer edges, and (2) at least one axle assembly enabling selective movement of said outer edges, of said longitudinal bed sections between said open and closed positions;[said suspension means further comprising; at least one suspension joint axially aligned and disposed around each said outer edge for enabling selective rotation]*emphasis mine*

[C010][A collapsible trailer for obviating detachment of components of the device]by a user, the collapsible trailer comprising:*emphasis mine*

[C012} e) a first means for coequally actuating (1) said axle assembly, (2) said pair of bed sections, and (3) said central bed section to an open position and a closed position

The Novel Physical Features of Claim 7 and 12 Produce New and Unexpected Results and Hence are Unobvious and Patentable Over References Cited Browning 4,126,324 and in further view of Siewert 3,073,615

[Applicants' Unexpected Results Comprised of:]

It collapses the trailer faster and more reliably, and prevents the disassembly of the components

It opens and closes the trailer in a superior fashion by only removing pins from apertures then utilizing a winch, in short nothing need be removed from the trailer to store it or to use.

It obviates the need of disassembly/assembly or tool use by its operator.

Browning device

device as illustrated by Browning patent # 4,126,324 page 5 paragraph 50 "Cross braces are then disconnected from the side frames. The cross-axle assembly is disconnected from the stub axles and the longer component, consisting of the shank and one sleeve, is set aside"

Siewert device

The device as illustrated by Siewert 3,073,615 does"provide a collapsible body member Which constitutes a container when collapsed" But it requires disassembly *emphasis mine*

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Claim 4 was rejected by the examiner under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Browning as applied to Claim 1, and in further view of Siewert. (US 3,073,615 A) Because Browning did not disclose the hinges as being elongated. Siewert did disclose Elongated hinges for a folding trailer, therefore being obvious to one having ordinary In the art to have provided the trailer of Browning with the elongated hinges of Siewert in Order to provide a stronger hinge to prevent breakage,

The applicant has cancelled this Claim 4;

Stating that it has been canceled in view of the coverage afforded by the remaining New claims stating that Claim 4 has been not renumbered or incorporated into an existing Claim.

In view of the non-final office action, the applicant respectfully request the right to allow consideration Claims 7-18 and a "Request for Reconsideration and Traverse"

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Amendments to the Drawings:

The attached sheet of drawings include changes to Fig. 2. This sheet, which included Fig. 2, only replaces the original sheet which contained Fig. 2. In Figure 2, previously omitted elements 24R, and 24L have been added.

Attachment: Replacement Sheet

Annotated Sheet Showing Changes

Fig. 2

